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EXDIS LUXEMBOURG FOR ASSIST SECY MOOSE

FOLLOWING REPEAT PRETORIA 4045 ACTION SECSTATE BONN DATED
JUL 17:

QTE: S E C R E T PRETORIA 4045

EXDIS

BONN FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY MOOSE

DEPARTMENT PASS SECDEL

E.O. 11652: XGDS

TAGS: PDEV, WA, SF

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT CARTER LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER VORSTER

REF: BONN 13051

1. IT IS NOT FEASIBLE TO DELIVER PRESIDENT CARTER'S
LETTER THIS EVENING TO PRIME MINISTER VORSTER WHO IS OUT
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OF TOWN.

2. I AM CONCERNED THAT THE FINAL PARAGRAPH OF THE LETTER
TO VORSTER WOULD NOT BE TAKEN AS A FRIENDLY AND EN-
COURAGING REFERENCE TO SMITH'S TALKS HERE BUT RATHER AS
AN IMPLIED THREAT THAT PROGRESS ON THE NUCLEAR ISSUE
MIGHT BE IMPEDED IN THE EVENT OF FAILURE TO MAKE PROGRESS

ON NAMIBIA. I WOULD, THEREFORE, RECOMMEND
DELETION OF THE FINAL PARAGRAPH.

3. AS IS EXPLAINED IN SEPTTEL, PRETORIA FIVE AGREED
TODAY THAT THE USE OF THE TERM "ETHNICALLY" IN THE THIRD
SENTENCE OF PARAGRAPH 5 OF THE LETTER IS INACCURATE.
WHITES ARE THE LARGEST GROUP IN WALVIS BAY AND WITH
THE COLOREDS MAKE UP A SUBSTANTIAL MAJORITY, NOT
COUNTING OVAMBO CONTRACT WORKERS. THE PRETORIA FIVE,
THEREFORE, RECOMMEND SUBSTITUTION OF THE WORDS "IN
OTHER WAYS" FOR THE TERM "ETHNICALLY".

4. UNLESS IT IS NOW IMPRACTICAL TO SECURE AGREEMENT
AMONG THE FIVE ON THE CHANGE, BELIEVE IT WOULD BE
PREFERABLE FOR THE LETTER TO COME FROM THE FOREIGN
MINISTERS RATHER THAN HEADS OF STATE AS PROPOSED IN
STATE 179657 (TOSEC 080123).
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